Claims

1. A device for packaging substantially plate-shaped information carriers such as CD's or DVD's, comprising at least a first and a second cover part, mutually connected by pivot means, while on at least the first cover part receiving means are arranged for receiving the information carrier in a position in which it extends approximately parallel to a closing surface of said cover part, which receiving means comprise first locking means and second locking means provided at least on said closing surface, the first locking means being connected to said closing surface in a substantially positionally fixed manner and extending, during use, along at least a part of an outer contour of an information carrier received in the receiving means, said second locking means comprising at least one resilient projection, arranged such that, during use, with the information carrier received in the locking means, this extends at least partly against and/or over the outer contour thereof and, together with the first locking means, locks the information carrier in the receiving means.

2. A device according to claim 1, wherein the second cover part is provided with third locking means which, with the device closed, abut against an upper side of an information carrier received in the device facing away from the closing surface of the first cover part and which further lock the information carrier in the receiving means.

3. A device according to claim 2, wherein the third locking means comprise at least one second projection placed on a closing surface of the second cover part which, with the device closed, is located partly adjacent the outer contour and partly against or at a short distance from the side of an information carrier received in the device facing away from the closing surface of the first cover part.

4. A device according to claim 3, wherein the or a second projection is located at a distance from at least one and preferably each first projection.

5. A device according to any one of claims 2 – 4, wherein the third locking means comprise at least a closing surface of the second cover part.-

6. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the pivot means comprise a back part, connected via a hinge to the first cover part and/or via a second hinge to the second cover part, while on the back part, on the side facing the inside with the device closed, a third projection is provided which, with the device closed, rests on an upper side of an information carrier received in the device that faces away from the closing surface of the first cover part or is located at a relatively short distance thereof with regard to the thickness of the information carrier, and, upon opening of the device, is pivoted away therefrom.

7. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the pivot means comprise a back part connected via a first hinge to the first cover part and/or via a second hinge to the second cover part, while on the back part on the side facing inwards when the device is closed, a fourth projection is provided which, with the device closed, projects under an underside of an information carrier received in the device facing the closing surface of the first cover part and, upon opening of the device, presses the information carrier at least partly from the receiving means.

8. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the first locking means comprise at least one upstanding edge which extends along a part of the outer contour of an information carrier received therein, which edge includes a circular segment for receiving a circular information carrier or two first wall parts extending approximately parallel to each other, mutually connected by a second wall part, such that the first wall parts and the second wall part together define a part of a rectangle matching at least a part of the outer contour of a substantially rectangular information carrier, while the edge or each first wall, respectively, is interrupted for receiving at least two second locking means, such that during use an information carrier can be pressed

within said edge or first and second wall, respectively, between the second locking means.

9. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the first cover part has an upstanding edge and the second cover part has an upstanding second edge, while, with the device closed, the second edge is located at least partly and preferably substantially against the inner side of the first edge, more in particular such that the first cover part rests against the second edge and/or the second cover part rests against the first edge.

10. A device according to claim 9, wherein the two cover parts comprise a closing surface with a wall thickness of less than 0.9 mm, more in particular a thickness of less than 0.7 mm and preferably a wall thickness of between 0.3 and 0.6 mm, while the closing surface of the second cover part, with the device closed, preferably rests on at least the first and/or second locking means.

11. A device according to any one of claims 9 or 10, wherein the first or second cover part is provided with an upstanding back along one side, which back, viewed from the closing surface of the respective cover part, projects above the edge or first and second edge, respectively, at least over a distance which corresponds to approximately the thickness of the closing surface of the other cover part, while the other cover part is connected to the free longitudinal edge of said back by a hinge, in particular a living hinge.

12. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein locking means are provided both on the first and the second cover part.

13. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the first cover part comprises a first closing surface and the second cover part comprises a second closing surface, while with the device in closed condition, at least a part of the first closing surface abuts against the second closing surface.

14. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the fist and/or second locking means are at least partly provided on an edge part of the first cover part which is connected so as to be pivotal or bendable relative to the further first cover part, while on the further first cover part at least a

part of the first and/or second locking means are provided such that, with the package open, by pivoting or bending said edge part of the first cover part relative to the further first cover part, an information carrier received in the receiving means is released by pulling away at least a first and/or second locking means.

15. A device according to claim 14, wherein on said edge part a first locking means is provided, such as a projection or an edge element, while on the remaining part of the first cover part at least one first, resilient projection is provided.

16. A device according to claim 14 or 15, wherein the device is designed such that with the device closed, said edge part is retained by the second cover part and/or the information carrier and/or the further first cover part such that this is protected against pivoting or bending and is only pivotable or bendable with the device open.

17. A device according to any one of claims 14 – 16, wherein said edge part is a corner part.

18. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein a substantially circular edge and at least two and preferably three somewhat resilient projections are provided on the first cover part, within which a circular information carrier can be locked, while at least one part of the edge and at least one projection are provided on said edge part.

19. A device according to any one of claims 14 – 17, wherein a substantially rectangular edge and at least two somewhat resilient projections are provided on the first cover part, within which a rectangular information carrier can be locked, while at least one part of the edge and at least one projection are provided on said edge part.

20. A device according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the corners of at least the first cover part are raised relative to a center part, such that an information carrier can be received in said center part between the

corners, while the raised corners form at least a part of the first and/or second locking means.